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TWENTY-SECOND YEAR.

DECATUR, ILL., TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 1900.

NUMBER 14.

ARE IN RETREAT

News From the Front to the
Effect that Boers Are
Retiring.

INVESTMENT OF WEPENER

Is Said to Have Been Entirely
Abandoned by the
Bothers.

GOOD NEWS IS EXPECTED

In trust of the Ability of Roberts to Reach
Pretoria Soon.

London, April 17.—Lord Roberts has been informed that the Boers have been retreating. The Boers have been retreating. The Boers have been retreating.

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Various important movements are occurring which naturally it is not desirable to specify.

Kruger Is Well.

Pretoria, April 16.—President Kruger keeps excellent health. Both is here consulting with the government.

Brabant Still Engaged.

Brabant, April 14.—Friday. Van Loozenburg's fighting with Brabant's horse at Jamburg. Drift continues. Commandant De Wet is reported to have engaged the troops sent from Bloemfontein to Brabant's assistance. There was also a brush with the British column advancing towards Jamburg, without decisive results. All foreign attaches are now here.

Blow Up Colliers.

London, April 16.—A special from Ladysmith, dated April 16, says: "Native scouts have just reported the Boers in Elindongolo district retired beyond Biggarsburg. Other information tends to confirm the report that the Boers succeeded in blowing up three important colliers near West's Nek, completely destroying the engine houses and plants."

Boers at Dowdrop.

London, April 17.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Ladysmith in a dispatch dated the 16th says: "The Boers are down again at Dowdrop east of Ladysmith."

Word from Mafeking.

Lorenzo Marques, April 16.—Lieut. Smith Dunn, a Rhodesian scout who entered Mafeking through the Boer lines, has returned to Col. Plummer's camp with dispatches from Mafeking, saying all was well there April 8.

Purpose Uncertain.

London, April 17.—The Times' Bloemfontein special says: "The Boers who have been investing Wepener are reported to be moving in a southerly direction, but the object of the movement is uncertain."

A TRUST BILL.

Sub-Committee on Judiciary Makes a Report.

Washington, April 16.—The special sub-committee on trusts of the house judiciary committee reported today to report to the full committee a twofold measure, namely, a constitutional amendment giving congress full power to deal with trusts and a new anti-trust law, making the following extensions to the Sherman act:

First.—Regarding the handling or marketing of trust made goods shipped out of the state, so as to be legally identified as the product of a trust.

Second.—Prohibiting interstate traffic of trust made goods, not so branded, making them subject to seizure and condemnation.

Fourth.—Providing a process of injunction against combinations sending trust made goods from state to state or to foreign countries.

Fifth.—Prohibiting the use of the mails to conspire and their officials proven to be trusts.

Cuban Customs Receipts.

Washington, April 16.—The division of customs and insular affairs of the war department gave out the statement today that the internal revenue collections of the island of Cuba, for the month of February, 1900, were \$43,471. The principal collections were as follows:

Excise and conveyance tax, \$25,124; 10 percent and 7 percent on passenger and freight rates, \$22,990.

The total internal revenue receipts for the first eight months of the present fiscal year are \$284,371.

Heavy Rains South.

Memphis, April 16.—Reports from Vicksburg, Jackson, Utica and other points in Mississippi state that one of the heaviest rain falls experienced in recent years has visited the cotton delta and at a late hour tonight there were no indications of a cessation of precipitation. The rivers and creeks are over their banks. In many instances and crops on the lowlands are being flooded. The railroads are being cut off, many warehouses having occurred, and a serious delay to traffic is reported.

Clerks Get Shorter Hours.

Albany, N. Y., April 16.—Governor Roosevelt today signed the bill providing for shorter hours for the clerks in the city of New York, and of the inspection of drug stores by the local board of health. Under its provisions drug clerks are prohibited from sleeping in the stores or in apartments connected with the stores.

Three Close.

Joliet, Ill., April 16.—Three of the four local plants of the American Steel and Wire Co. have suspended operations entirely. The order came suddenly and was a total surprise. Over 1000 men are affected. The cause of suspension and how long it will last is not known. The Rockdale mill is working as usual.

Two Men Fatally Burned.

Youngstown, O., April 16.—By an explosion of molten metal today at the furnace of the Ohio plant of the National Steel Co., James Johnson, Waller Alexander and Pruckett Smith were probably fatally burned. The explosion was caused by the hot metal flowing into a water trough.

Stockholm, April 16.—King Oscar left this afternoon on his way to England.

HE KILLED FOUR

Italian Commits Murder by
Wholesale at Johnstown, Pa.

USED GUN AND STILETTO

Escaped Officers But Believed
to Be Run Down by
a Train

FIGHT OCCURRED IN SALOON

The Cause of the Trouble Is as Yet Unknown.

Johnstown, Pa., April 16.—Four persons are dead and two are dangerously wounded at the saloon of the Windsor, near here, as the result of a drunken row in a saloon there last night. One Italian is charged with the wholesale crime, but it is believed that he is already beyond the reach of the law, as a man answering his description was ground under a train at South Fork this morning. The dead are: G. Halverson, a Swede; C. P. McQuarrie, an American; Gust Greybecker, a Slav; Samuel Shives, an American.

Some of the victims of a revolver and some of the deadly stiletto, the two wounded men, Thomas Kipling and Jack Black, both being wounded with the latter weapon.

The row occurred at the home of a French woman, known as Mrs. Steur, until a couple of weeks ago, at which time she married an Italian. The place has been known as a "speakeasy," or unlicensed saloon, and has been frequented by both foreigners and Americans employed in the mines of the Berwind White Coal company. Yesterday seems to have been a banner day throughout, but no particular demonstration was made until 10:15 o'clock last night, when a man emerged from the door crying out that he had been stabbed, ran a few rods and then fell over dead on the street. He was followed by a second and then a third. The fourth man who was killed died in the house and the two wounded men were found there.

There were a dozen or more men in the house when the affray occurred, but none of them can be found, and it is impossible to learn even the name of the murderer, or any facts concerning him, beyond that he wore a slouch hat, slightly craned. It is believed that he would naturally flee toward Altoona, and as South Fork is on the road there it is generally thought he was the man killed this morning. Mrs. Steur and two other women who were inmates of the place are under arrest, and the place is being guarded by men with Winchester. Various stories are afloat as to the cause of the row, but the women refuse to talk.

One story is that Mrs. Steur angered the men by giving too much attention to other men; another that the fight was over a game of cards, and a third, that it was the result of bad blood over the strike at the Horatio mine. The town is in a state of wild excitement. Hundreds of people surrounded the house and the pools of blood on the streets where the men died.

Rough treatment will probably be accorded the murderer if it proves that he is still alive and if he is caught. The fact that he was able to do so much execution without himself receiving harm is accounted for on the theory that he was probably the only one of the party armed and that he was perhaps not so drunk as the others.

AN UNKNOWN ASSASSIN

Shoots Down a New York Soldier at Croton Landing.

Croton Landing, N. Y., April 16.—The first blood shed as the outcome of the strike at Croton Landing, was the killing of Sergeant Cornell Douglas of 11th separate company of Mt. Vernon, who was shot down by an unknown assassin while relieving the guard at 9 o'clock tonight. Sergeant fell at once, situated on top of the hill near Little Italy, where armed strikers were seen drilling only this morning, brandishing rifles and shot guns.

No one saw a flash nor heard a sound of the shot which killed Douglas and it was a most mysterious affair. Lieut. Glover, with a squad made a thorough search but failed to find any one on the hill.

Only Exchanged Visits.

Berlin, April 16.—The reports circulated of a conference between Count Von Bülow, minister of foreign affairs, and the Boer delegates is semi-officially declared a pure invention. It is added that the only thing which occurred was an exchange of visits as a courtesy made by the German consul at Milan, who personally knew the delegates, but who did not discuss political affairs with them.

Filipinos Repulsed.

Manila, April 17.—Gen. Young reported 300 insurgent riflemen and bolomen attacked the American garrison at Batoc, province of North Borneo, yesterday, but were repulsed, losing 106 men. The Americans had no casualties.

Twelve Mills Closed.

J. W. Gates Tells of the Suspension of Iron Mills.

New York, April 16.—John W. Gates of the American Steel and Wire Co., was seen today in reference to a despatch from the west which stated a number of constituent concerns in the main company had suspended operations. He confirmed the statement and said twelve mills have been shut down. They are located at Pittsburg, Joliet, Waukegan, Ill.; De Kalb, Ill.; Newberry, Ind. and Anderson, Ind. Gates said the cause of closing down the mills was the over production. Gates said he was unable to state when the mills would resume operations as they first would have to ascertain the extent of the over production. When asked his view as to the trade situation and the outlook, Gates said that the shut down of the mills was the best evidence of the current situation.

A Terrible Death.

Child Dies From Injuries Sustained by Fire.

Mr. Pulaski, April 16.—(Special)—The most deplorable and heartrending death occurring in central Illinois for many days was that of little Reuben Baumann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Baumann, living one and one-half miles east of the city, who died at 11:15 p. m. Easter, caused from injuries sustained by fire. The little one was playing around a bonfire in the yard when its clothing caught, burning off its body before being discovered by other members of the household. His little sister, who was playing with him, was badly burned but will recover. Reuben, at the time of his death, was 3 years, 4 months and 11 days old. The funeral services will be conducted by Rev. G. Helst at the First Lutheran church, Tuesday, at 2 p. m. followed by interment in the Mt. Pulaski cemetery.

Two Flat.

Florida, An Eight to One Shot, Captures Tennessee Derby.

Memphis, Tenn., April 16.—On a muddy track, H. J. Seagraves' bay colt, Florida, Jockey Van Dusen, at odds of 8 to 1 today won the rich Tennessee derby at a mile and an eighth in a gallop from John G. Seagraves' E. W. Brode, which bent the conqueror for the place by a length. The race, which is worth \$7000 to the winner, was run in two minutes flat.

THE ARMOR PLATE

Question Makes Its Appearance With the Naval Appropriation Bill.

GUMMINGS FAVORS KRUPP

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THE BEST NONE TOO GOOD

Plates Full of Blow Holes Have Been Used—The Need of a Navy.

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THE COURT NEWS

One Partition Bill Asks to
Have Mortgage Out-
lawed.

FOR SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Hiers Now Seek to Pay a Mortgage—The
Smallwood Case—Heavy
Docket Orders.

ONLY ONE NEW TRIAL WAS GRANTED

In the circuit court Friday Attorney A. McIntosh filed a bill asking for the partition of an estate. Ordinarily partition suits are most formal affairs and this suit is no exception. It is the bill of Frances M. Hiers et al. vs. Bonnie Cole et al. One of the property included was one time mortgaged. The original mortgage was given many years ago perhaps as long ago as 1875 and was for a term of five years. At the end of that time it was renewed. Then it was renewed again and then the widow of the mortgagor had it renewed. So it went until the present time, except that until at the time of the last expiration, the interest had been paid. The last time the interest was defaulted. The mortgage is an eastern money lender. An appeal for a compromise was made but was denied and now in the bill filed the attorney for the partition asks that the mortgage be declared outlawed because the mortgagor failed to begin proceedings for foreclosure within the ten year limit from the time when such proceedings could first be instituted under the terms of the mortgage.

There was a second suit commenced Friday in which a mortgage will figure. Mrs. Mary Stroh and others, heirs of the late Henry Blenz bring suit against Adam Blenz to compel him to accept payment of what they term was a mortgage or trust deed. A number of years ago, according to the story of the complainants Henry Blenz gave a deed to Adam Blenz for a twenty acre tract of land near Fairview park. This deed they contend was merely to secure a loan and was not given nor then accepted as an absolute sale. The plaintiffs ask that Adam Blenz be compelled to accept the \$500 which they now offer in settlement of his claim and that he be compelled to release all his claims against the property.

By his attorneys, Mills Bros., Chris Wilson brings suit against Matilda Owens and others asking that they be compelled to abide by the terms of a contract made with him. The plaintiff is the surviving partner of the firm of J. A. Wilson & Son and last fall they made a contract with Matilda Owens by which she was to sell to that firm a certain lot on Walnut avenue. All of the persons interested in the lot signed an agreement that they would sign the deed. When a tender of the money was made the deed was refused. Some of the heirs had changed their mind about the sale and refused to sign the instrument. The price agreed upon was \$1000 and Wilson tendered that sum in gold coin and now he asks the court to compel the defendants to give him a deed for the property.

The jury in the Smallwood case is still out and according to their own statement there is little probability of an agreement being reached. Friday morning a note was sent to Judge Vail by the jurors to the effect that the twelve could not agree. The court asked the attorneys in the case if they wanted the jurors discharged but the latter said that it could do no harm to let them consider it further. During the afternoon session of court the jury demanded of the bailiff that they be taken before the court and on compliance their spokesman told the court that an agreement was impossible and the court replied "Probably you have not had time enough gentlemen, to consider the case. You may retire with the officer." And they're still out.

The court heard a number of motions for new trials but in only one instance was a rehearing granted and that was in the suit of Jensen against the Wabash. The docket orders entered follow:

LAW.

George B. Simpson vs. D. O. Millmore; assumption. By agreement case to be disposed of by Judge Wright in June next.

Joseph O'Merrett vs. James Wheeler; trespass on the case. Suit dismissed by plaintiff at his costs.

Peter Tomahs vs. W. H. Tineher; appellants; appeal. Motion by defendant to discontinue costs and motion overruled.

Francis Sibley vs. Covenant Mutual Life Association of Illinois; assumption. Continued.

Bessie A. Lyon vs. Covenant Mutual Benefit Association of Illinois; assumption. Continued.

John Boland vs. The Decatur Cereal Mill Co.; trespass on the case. Motion by defendant for new trial overruled and appeal prayed and allowed.

Flora A. Martin vs. The Life Assurance Co. of America; assumption. Continued.

Cynthia J. Hunter v. David S. Shellabarger; trespass on the case. Suit dismissed by plaintiff at her cost.

Richard Jensen vs. The Wabash Railway Co.; trespass on the case. Motion for new trial granted.

A. Coleman vs. S. R. Oher, executor; appeal from county court. Plaintiff remit down to \$100. Motion for new trial overruled. Judgment for \$1000 and cost to be paid in due course of the administration; appeal prayed and allowed; bond in \$2000 to 90 days and bill of exception in 120 days.

Will Offered.

In the probate court Friday, James A. Jones offered the will of W. J. Jones. Judge W. L. Hammer read May 7 as the date for a hearing on the petition.

CANDIDATE FOR TRUSTEE

Mrs. Carrie Alexander, of Belleville, Seeks That Honor.

Mrs. Carrie Thomas Alexander of Belleville, a representative woman of southern Illinois, is a candidate for the nomination for trustee of the Illinois State university at Champaign, Ill. Her name will be offered for that office in the state convention at Peoria on May 7. She has been assured of the support of the majority of the delegates from the central, southern and a portion of the northern part of the state. She has strong friends in Chicago and she is sanguine of success. Mrs. Alexander's determination to become a candidate is due to a large number of letters she received from friends in the state requesting her to make an effort for the nomination.

Mrs. Alexander is the daughter of the late Col. John Thomas, one of the heroes of the Black Hawk war. In December, 1837, she was married to Henry A. Alexander, who controlled the street car lines of the town. Four months later Mr. Alexander died. To the young widow fell the charge of the entire estate of her husband. He had been the operator of the street car line. She took up the management of the business where he left off, and for two years she held the unique position of being the only woman in the United States who operated and managed a street railway. In 1890, Mrs. Alexander and the minority stockholders sold the road to another company and she went on a two years' trip through Europe.

When she returned the first branch of the Woman's Relief Corps had been organized in Belleville and the charter list was closed. She was admitted to membership, however, on December, 28, 1893, and the same month was elected treasurer and chairman of the executive committee. In 1899 Mrs. Alexander was appointed state inspector of the organization, and two years later she was elected state president, and served for the full term, one year. Mrs. Alexander is also president of Hecker post, Woman's Relief Corps of Belleville and the Ladies' Aid society. She holds the chairmanship of the Woman's republican congressional committee of that district, and is regarded as the leader in southern Illinois in charitable work and organization.

When the boys of Company D of Belleville were at the front in the war with Spain they received many boxes of delicacies from Mrs. Alexander. At the close of the war, when the bodies of the heroes who had suffered through the Spanish flu were brought home, she proposed that a mammoth granite shaft be erected either in Walnut Hill cemetery or in the center of the public square in front of the court house. She headed a personal subscription list, and directed several entertainments which realized handsome sums for the monument.

INCIDENT OF MUNICH LIFE

Surprise of the Princess When She Went Out Unattended.

New York Tribune: To such an extent is this the case that in most of the continental capitals of Europe it is dangerous for a well dressed woman or young girl to venture out of doors, even early in the afternoon, without being escorted. It was but the other day that the Kaiser's elder sister, Princess Charlotte of Saxe-Meiningen, was subjected to an indignity at Munich which could hardly have occurred in New York, in spite of all that is being said about the latter's lawlessness. The princess had left the Rhine hotel, where she was staying, to do some shopping, when she suddenly remembered that she had left her purse behind her. Accordingly, she requested her lady-in-waiting to return to the hotel and fetch it, saying that she would wait for her in front of one of the shops not a hundred yards away. Suddenly she found herself surrounded by three or four women, who, despite the quietness of her dress and the manifest refinement of her appearance, assailed her with the vilest epithets and coarse reproaches for embezzling, as they declared, on their "territory." Insisting that she belonged to the same class as themselves, too horrified to even seek refuge in the shops, the princess, who, in spite of being the mother of a married daughter, is still remarkably pretty, fled to the hotel, pursued almost to the very doors by the women, who threatened her with bodily harm if she dared to come poaching any more on their preserves.

If an adventure of this kind can happen to the Kaiser's own sister in his dominions, it will be readily understood that ladies and young girls of less exalted rank, especially if they be foreigners, must be prepared for similar treatment if they venture abroad without escort. Imagine such an indignity as that offered to the Princess Charlotte at Munich happening in New York, let us say in Fifth avenue, around Madison square, or on the Plaza, to any well-known figure in New York society!

HOME AGAIN.

Decatur Returns From Texas Where He Had an Unpleasant Experience.

William Goodman, formerly an engineer on the Wabash is in Decatur to visit his father, Albert Goodman of North Calhoun street.

At Galveston, Texas, where Engineer Goodman has been employed on government harbor work he was last June the victim of a stray bullet in a street fight.

Goodman and a friend were walking along the street when they got in the line of fire from the revolvers of three men who were giving an exhibition of rapid firing with 44 and 45 navy guns. Goodman went down with a bullet through his left shoulder and his companion fell shot dead.

The artilleryman were gamblers. One of them was killed and the other two were arrested and gave bail for their appearance. One of them has been tried and acquitted of killing either of the men and the other has never been brought to trial.

What's Your Face Worth?

Sometimes a fortune, but never, if you have a yellow complexion, a jaundiced look, moth patches and blotches on the skin—all signs of liver trouble. But Dr. King's New Life Pills give clear skin, rosy cheeks, rich complexion. Only 25 cents at J. E. King's and F. C. Shilling's drug stores.

\$10,000 DAMAGE SUIT.

Rozen Charges Jingle With Juggling His Patent.

Bloomington correspondent of Kenney Herald: H. J. Rozen has entered suit against C. Jingles, a farmer of this place, for \$10,000 damages. Mr. Rozen claims that Jingles has infringed upon his rights concerning an entirely new and original ball-bearing griddlestone which he lately placed upon the market. During the spring of 1899, when Mr. Rozen's model was being constructed in the Big Four shops behind locked doors, Mr. Jingles came to the shops in the disguise of a tramp and begged admittance, saying he was cold and hungry. One of the employees at the time in the shops was J. K. Fuzzy, who undoubtedly was in the scheme with Jingles, let him into the shops. After being admitted Jingles did not have much to say and acted his part well. However, it was noticed that there was something wrong and Mr. Rozen became suspicious, and upon observing him more closely, saw through his disguise. Mr. Jingle, seeing that he was known, treated the matter as a joke, thus throwing Rozen off his guard. Nothing more was thought of the matter until about six weeks ago when Rozen was in Washington looking after his patent, when he saw a new model closely resembling his own, which he found was the property of Jingles. He at once returned home, secured a number of his friends, and raided Jingle's shop, under cover of darkness, where they found a model identical with that of Rozen's. This suit will come off at the May term of court, and promises to be one of the most interesting cases in the Bloomington courts since 1893, when some Bloomington parties were tried for the murder of Tom Jones.

WANTS HIS SISTER.

Harry Brooks of New York Makes Anxious Inquiry Concerning His Only Relative.

Some time ago I. A. Buckingham received a letter from Harry Brooks making inquiry about his sister. The attorney does not know where she is and the Herald publishes the letter for general information. Any one who can supply the information can leave the same at this office or notify Mr. Buckingham. The letter reads as follows and is self explanatory.

New York, March 7, 1900.
Mr. Buckingham: Dear Sir—I am inquiring for my sister, Adeline Cooper, who was sent out west by the New York Juvenile Asylum. Their records show that she was last working with a Mr. L. Lancaster of Niantic, Illinois. And that she is suing him through you. So I thought that you would most likely have her present address. I am very anxious to find her, as she is my only living relative in the world. I will thankfully receive any information concerning her. I never knew my mother or father as they died when I was a babe and my sister was taken away from the lady who was keeping us by the Society and sent out west. She was about 10 years old then, I think. So you can imagine how overjoyed I will be to hear from her again. I remain in suspense.

Yours, etc.,
Master Harry Brooks,
No. 24 West Thirty-third St., New York.

Deeds Recorded.

William H. Stoutenborough to Kate W. Kod lots 9 and 10 in block 1 in Walter's addition to Marion; \$350.

Hella H. Sturm to W. L. Ryder 12 feet off of the east side of lot 6 and 28 feet off of the west side of lot 4 in Southwest corner addition to Decatur; \$4000.

W. L. Ryder to Hella H. Sturm lot 13 in block 1 in Wood's second addition to Decatur; \$500.

Mary C. Hamilton to John B. Prestley lot 24 in block 1 in Walt & Co.'s addition to Decatur, and lot 24 in block 2 in Durfee, Warren & Co.'s first addition to Decatur; \$1.

John B. Prestley to Savings Fund and Building Association lot 24 in block 1 in Walt & Co.'s addition to Decatur and lot 24 in block 2 in Durfee, Warren & Co.'s first addition to Decatur; \$1.

Ralph Ayres to J. W. Brown, one-half interest in lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 in block 3 in Seiberling's addition to Blue Mound; same interest in lot 8 in sub-division of lot 4 and 5 in block 12 in Blue Mound.

J. W. Brown to J. A. Brown a third interest in lot 3 in sub-division of lots 4 and 5 in block 12 in village of Blue Mound; \$500.

Is a Legal Notice.

The man who is fortunate or unfortunate, just as he looks at it, to own personal property, should not neglect to regard the schedules brought to his attention by the assessors, who are now making their rounds. These blanks are legal notices that the recipient must make a report as to his possessions. They are not being distributed indiscriminately as might be inferred, but are only left at a residence or office when the owner of the property cannot be found at home. If the recipient of the schedule fails to list his possessions and event to the statement then the assessor is compelled to make up his own figures of the amount of property believed to be owned and then add 50 per cent penalty. Although the assessment law has been explained time and again it seems that there are a number who fail to understand it and therefore are compelled to pay several dollars additional for their lack of knowledge.

A Fiendish Attack.

An attack was lately made on C. F. Collier of Cherokee, Iowa, that nearly proved fatal. It came through his kidneys. His back got so lame he could not stoop without great pain, nor sit in a chair except propped by cushions. No remedy helped him until he tried Electric Bitters which effected such a wonderful change that he writes he feels like a new man. This marvelous medicine cures backache and kidney trouble, purifies the blood and builds up your health. Only 50c at J. E. King's and F. C. Shilling's drug stores.

What Do the Children Drink?

Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink called GRAIN-O? It is delicious and nourishing and takes the place of coffee. The more GRAIN-O you give the children the more healthy they will become through their system. GRAIN-O is made of pure grains, and when properly prepared tastes like the choice grade of coffee but costs about 1/4 as much. All grocers sell it. 10c and 25c.

Wonderful Offerings in SILKS.

Bradley Bros. have placed on sale a line of Fancy Striped Swiss Taffeta Silks, a beautiful quality for shirt waists at 49c yard. Judges of silk will easily recognize that this is just half price. The goods may be seen in our south show window today.

HANDSOME LINE OF SPRING DRESS GOODS, some very late designs in fine materials received this week.

MILLINERY NOVELTIES—We have for inspection today some very choice creations in Stylish Hats for Easter and some very pretty hats for street wear at popular prices.

JOUVIN KID GLOVES in all the late spring shades. Every pair fitted and warranted.

SPECIAL FOR EASTER—600 pairs of real kid, embroidered backs regular \$1.25 grade, at \$1.00 pair this week.

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JESUS WOULD NOT

Charge Exorbitant Prices if He Published Newspapers.

Much has been said about the thriftiness of the Sheldon idea in publishing the Topoku Capital one week "As Jesus would." From a business standpoint it has been generally believed that the experiment was a gold mine for the publishers. The gold mine idea, however, must be abandoned in the light of some later developed facts. A mountain of 18 karat diamonds would fit the case better. Peter Bilhorn, the gospel singer who has been singing at the tabernacle for the past two weeks, is a member of the firm of Bilhorn Bros., Music Publishers, Chicago. When the Sheldon Capital idea was being arranged the Bilhorns concluded to publish a small card in the Sheldon newspaper. Peter Bilhorn had met Mr. Sheldon and felt kindly toward him and his venture. The advertisement was sent. It consisted of a one-line electro to be run three times. For this the Herald would charge not to exceed \$5. Possibly the Topoku Capital would have been willing to publish this ordinarily for any sum not more than \$10. The Bilhorns had trouble in finding their ad. in the paper. But the bill showed up all right. Yesterday Mr. Peter Bilhorn received a red hot letter from his brother in Chicago and enclosing the Capital bill for \$47.00, or \$15.70 per inch. This would make one column cost \$320.70 each issue. Counting 25 columns or one-half of an ordinary seven column, eight page paper, each issue would earn the sum of \$9240. Six issues would aggregate \$55,440 for advertising alone. It can be seen that the Sheldon paper was not run for any one's health. The Bilhorns are not pleased and the language used by the Chicago office to Mr. Peter Bilhorn is something like Jesus used when on one occasion he referred to certain persons as "Scribes, Pharisees, hypocrites." This Bilhorn bill reminds one of the consciences of certain hotel keepers during great conventions. They pack people into a room so thick that a man can't turn over unless those nearest the door get up and go out into the hall. For this they put down the screws for a trifle of \$10 a day. As Rabbi Hirsch says, "Jesus would not run a newspaper." If he did he would not charge \$47 for three inches of space. People should be careful when dealing with men who would do business "as Jesus would."

He Fooled the Surgeons.

All doctors told Benick Hamilton of Wae Jefferson, O., after suffering 18 months from rectal catia, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world. Street pills cure on earth. 25c a box, at J. E. King's and F. C. Shilling's drug stores.

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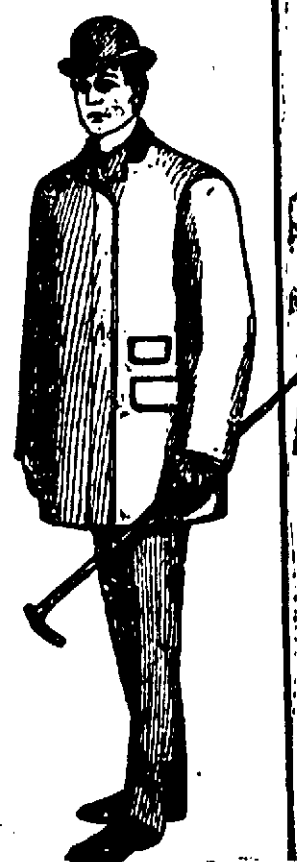
Horatio Vandever of Blue Mound and Mrs. Ella Cox of Blue Mound were married by Justice Hardy at his home in the city Thursday. The couple will reside at Taylorville.

New Top Coats

We know what good clothes are, where to buy them and how to select the nobby styles and patterns. We want to say that we have never had as choice a stock of good clothes in our store as we have right now, and we're ready to quote prices that will interest you. We sell the Hart, Schaffner & Marx tailor made suits and top coats.

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They're the kind advertised in all the leading magazines and worn by good dressers everywhere.



Styles for the Season

Are Top Coats of Covert and Oxford Cheviot; Double Breasted Sack Suits, Blue Serge; Single Breasted Sack Suits, Fancy Worsted and Blue Serge; Broad Shouldered "Military" Sack Suits, Fancy Worsted. Prices ranged from \$10 to \$20.

We would like a chance to show you the styles. Our store is full of the very best values we have ever been able to offer. You are welcome whether you buy or not. We will guarantee our prices to be less than you can buy the same qualities for any place else. We are not here to be undersold by anybody. Come and see.

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